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I am tired of being shoved around by Microsoft. I have purchased software from many companies such as Digital Research, Novell, Corel, and many others only to have Microsoft use its muscle and money to push them aside with inferior products and operating systems. Microsoft was found guilty of monopoly in federal court but was not punished for it and it is obvious from what is going on now that it is doing things even worse than it did before the federal law suit. Microsoft should be broken up into a company that manufactures the operating system and all other software it produces should be under another entity. That is the only way to bring them back to the level of competition with the remainder of the software companies. Microsoft did not grow to its present size with superior products; it did it with money and market control, with inferior products. I am a retired writer now writing books. I want to use better products to produce my books but am forced to use Microsoft products because that is what the market dictates. I want choice.

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